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WAGE-WORKER SHOULD PROFIT

By the Situation by Owning His
Own Home and Piece of
Ground

By GEORGE H. MAXWELL

The belief that during the war and since, the American people have been at the mercy of war-time profiteers, is the thought that is now uppermost in the minds of multitudes. The refusal to buy at war prices any longer is one of the reasons for the slump in prices that prevails in many lines. This will have two effects, first, a lowering of the cost of the requirements of life, and second, the consequent necessity for lowering the cost of production. Inevitably the reflex action of lower prices will be lower wages, and the extent to which the wage earner will eventually be benefited is problematical.

Every worker for wages, however, can escape both from the oppressions of the profiteer and the pressure for lower wages, now or hereafter, at any time in the future, if he will act vigorously in his own behalf.

There is no error more prevalent in economic thought than the delusion that every one who works should first trade their labor for a wage, and then in turn trade that wage for food and shelter. Whoever does that places themselves at the mercy of both the constant pressure for lower wages, and the constant effort for higher prices. Cut that Gordian Knot and the wage-worker becomes a free man. No people can ever be free unless they are willing to begin with themselves and every man and family fly the flag of independence in the form of a determination to "Free yourself first."

This is impossible without a home with a piece of ground large enough for a garden and poultry yard. Those who refuse to accept this avenue of deliverance must continue to be unfree, and accept lower wages and higher prices whenever the pressure for either gets beyond their per-

99,967 FORD CARS

Were Made in the Ford Factory and Shipped Out
in October

During October, 99,967 Ford cars were made in the Ford factory, at Detroit, and shipped out to join the four and one-half million already in service. This is the highest record ever reached by the Ford Company, or any other company. Thirty-three more cars would have brought production up to the 100,000 mark for the month.

October 26th was the banner day, having brought forth 4,688 cars. This was also a record breaker. It means that one car was completed every eighteen and one-half seconds for the entire twenty-four hour day. The Ford estimate for this year is one and one-quarter million cars and trucks.

It was during the fall of 1909 that Henry Ford placed on the market his now famous Model "T"—the car that brought Ford unquestioned supremacy in the motor car industry. To date, more than four and one-half millions of this one model have been built and distributed to the four corners of the world. Of models prior to the "T," thirty thousand were manufactured.

During 1910, 18,644 Ford cars were built, a tremendous output for those days. Yet in ten years from that time Ford production has grown to more than one million a year.

Almost half of the motor cars in the world are Ford cars. In the United States and Canada, a little better than one-half are Fords.

XMAS EXERCISES PLANNED

The officers and teachers of the Baptist Sunday School met at the home of Mrs. Ada Roach Monday evening and set plans for a splendid Christmas entertainment. Committees were appointed on program, decorations, finance and Xmas tree. Santa Claus, accompanied by Mrs. Santa, will be present to entertain the children. At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by the hostess.

Personal control. Those who are willing to live in the suburbs or in any small industrial city or town, have the key in their own hand for their own deliverance. No economic system or theory that can be devised can ever provide homes for the people that will be as advantageous to the individual or to the families of wage-workers as the plan that each shall own their own home. And no place deserves to be called a home, or is a home, in the economic sense, unless it goes with a large enough piece of ground to be made a self-sustaining home. With such a piece of ground, everything else becomes possible, with industry and intelligence.

There is no immediate need or necessity for any legislative, charitable or philanthropic relief in this field. Any family living in the city who are willing to move to the suburbs, or who now live there, or in any small city, town or village, need only to adopt the Homecroft System of Life, and they have settled the problem of reducing the high cost of living. Food from their own garden and poultry yard takes the place of food from the tin can, and the tin can never will compete with the hoe as a producer of inexpensive food.

Instead of a Housing Campaign, call it a Homecroft Campaign, participated in by every worker who wants to be a free man and snap his fingers at all profiteers. Get into the Homecroft Game quickly. If you don't already own a lot, buy one. If you haven't the cash, buy it on credit. A lot will pay for itself in food production several times over within the period of credit you can get on it. If you lack a house, build a progressive house and save your rent as soon as you can. Get a bedrock foundation under your whole family structure before you are hit by the wave of deflation that is now headed our way. It may last a long time. The man does not live who can tell when the drag down on salaries for clerical work or wages for all workers will end, or when wages will touch bottom. The problem involves the whole question of the industrial and financial future of Europe. For a long time to come, our foreign market for food products or for manufactured goods will be enormously reduced as a result of the great World War.

Miss Druscilla Woods Bride of J. C. Darcey

Miss Druscilla Woods and J. C. Darcey were married Monday morning, November 29, 1920, at 8:00 o'clock, at her home in Thatcher.

The ceremony was performed by Bishop Ernest Shumway. Only members of the family were present.

After the ceremony, the happy young couple enjoyed a wedding breakfast and then left on the morning train for Phoenix, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Darcey is the daughter of County Treasurer and Mrs. J. A. Woods. She was born and raised in Thatcher, where she attended school, later becoming proficient as a stenographer and typist. Mrs. Darcey was one of the most popular girls in the younger set.

Mr. Darcey is the deputy State examiner and is a splendid young man.

THE GUARDIAN joins with their many friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous married life.

Roy Layton's Home Destroyed by Fire

The two-story residence of Roy Layton, on his ranch north of Thatcher, was entirely destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning.

The fire bell rang here about 4:30 o'clock and the fire ladders hustled shivering into their clothes and were off to the fire house and were soon speeding on their way to the scene of the fire in Thatcher.

They arrived too late to save the house, but got busy sending a good stream of water from the ditch on the barn and other out-buildings, which were saved.

New Businesses To Be Established Here

Two new businesses will be established in town, according to announcements in this issue of THE GUARDIAN.

Williams and Co., of Deming, N. M., will open up a harness and saddle shop in the building in the rear of Traynor's Furniture Store, and will be ready for business December 15th.

The James F. Hunt Shoe Co. will open up a shoe repairing shop as soon as the machinery is received. This firm will also make shoes to order. Location of shop will be announced on arrival of machinery.

Receiver Appointed for Water Company

The suit against the Gila Valley Electric, Gas and Water Co., brought by the Arizona Trust and Savings Bank to recover amount due on notes and mortgages, held by the bank, was tried before Judge Frank Laine, in the Superior Court Wednesday.

When the case came up, several other creditors intervened with the result that a receiver was appointed for the company in the person of Geo. P. Jacobson.

A DELIGHTFUL PARTY

Mrs. A. G. McAlister entertained Wednesday afternoon at her home on Fourth West street. Forty-three ladies were present and enjoyed the afternoon playing Bridge and participating in a sewing contest. Mrs. Alice Worden won the first prize at Bridge, and Mrs. John F. Weber was presented with the booby prize. In the sewing contest, Mrs. Jack Freeman won the first prize and Mrs. Kennedy the booby prize. Delightful refreshments were served during the afternoon.

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED

A special meeting of the Common Council and the business men of the town is called for next Monday night, December 6th, at the Town Hall, at 7:30 o'clock. Business of importance will be presented and discussed.

K. W. SLOAN, Mayor.

Saturday Specials at the Palms Cafe

Boston Browned Beans and Hot Tamales will be Saturday specials, at The Palms Cafe. Served from 6.00 to 8.00 p. m.

Mrs. Bullock Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

"Last winter when my children were sick with colds and were coughing a good deal I gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. C. M. Bullock, Gorman, N. Y. "It relieved them at once and under this treatment all symptoms of the cold gradually disappeared. My experience with this medicine warrants my recommending it to others."

GILA NORMAL COLLEGE Basket Ball

The class basket ball series is in full swing. It includes ten games, then the final, making eleven games in all in the series. The five teams contesting for the pennant are represented by a team from each class and the extra faculty team.

The games have followed in rapid succession with the usual Gila pep. Seven of the series have been played, in which the Juniors proved to be good losers as they have lost all three games they played and yet retained their fighting spirit. The Sophomores have broken even with the Faculty and Seniors by winning two games. The Freshmen have completed their series of games, making a record of winning two games and losing two games.

At present the excitement is at its highest. Every live student is anxious to see who will win the prize pennant, the Seniors, Faculty or Sophomores.

Debating

The Sociology, Current History, Third Year English classes, and any other students who cared to try out for the school debating team this year, had this privilege last week.

The question to be debated was, "Resolved, That the Closed Shop Should Be Adopted in American Industry." Twenty-nine students of the college contested. Fifteen Tuesday night and fourteen Wednesday night. Six students, or two teams, were chosen from the twenty-nine contestants; they were as follows: George Martini, Fred Talley and Effie Kilian on the affirmative side; Edna Cluff, Gertrude Mortensen and Paul Foster on the negative side.

Funeral Services of Miss Pearl Peterson

The funeral services of Miss Pearl Peterson, aged 16 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Peterson, who died at her home in Thatcher, Thursday, November 25, 1920, were held Friday afternoon, at 2:00 o'clock, at the Thatcher Church. A large number of people were present.

The music was rendered by the combined choirs of the two Thatcher wards.

The speakers were: P. C. Merrill, Mrs. Kate Pace, Virginia Curtis, John Bilby and Bishop Mickelson. Prof. H. L. Payne sang the solo, "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go, Dear Lord."

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NEW DENTIST

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CARD OF THANKS

We take this opportunity of expressing our sincere appreciation and gratitude to our many friends who have been so kind and considerate to us in the sad bereavement of our daughter, Pearl.

MR. AND MRS. A. C. PETERSON.

GET YOUR AUTO LICENSE

To avoid the rush, the certificates for automobile licenses will be ready to issue December 6th for 1921 license.

J. MYRON ALLRED, Assessor.

LOST—An Eastern Star pin.

Finder return to GUARDIAN office. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geitz, Saturday night, November 27, 1920, a girl.

The Girls' Day Dance

The event of the season was given Wednesday night, November 24th, in the form of a Girls' Day dance.

The house was gaily decorated with the colors of the Girls' Club. In fact, everything was in harmony with the spirit of wholesome fun.

Happy Woods and Russell Chambers

Next Monday night, December 6th, at Brier's Hall, the big boxing event of the season will be pulled off and the "fans" are preparing to see the real thing in the manly art.

Happy Woods, of Tucson, will enter the squared ring against Russell Chambers, of Douglas, in a ten-round contest, both men weighing in at 145 pounds.

Woods and Chambers are both popular in the fight world and have many friends here.

The program will start promptly at 8:00 o'clock with several good preliminaries preceding the main event.

The prices of admission are: Ringside, \$2.50; general admission, \$1.25, and kids, 50 cents. Tickets on sale at Crandall's Pharmacy, adv

Teachers' Quarterly Examination, Dec. 6-7

The quarterly examination of applicants for certificates will be held in Safford, at the County Court House, Monday and Tuesday, December 6th and 7th. There will be two sessions each day, from 8:30 a. m. to 12:00 noon, and from 1:00 p. m. to 4:30 p. m.

Each applicant must be at least 18 years of age and furnish a certificate of good moral character, signed by two well-known persons.

The State School Superintendent has given information that the list of words in spelling for the teachers' examination will be selected from the New World Speller, grades 3 to 8.

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UNITED CLUB OF PIMA Organization Is To Be Com- mended for Good Work Accomplished

The United Club of Pima with Mrs. R. M. Kelly, as leader, which had its beginning in a small way, is now assuming such proportions that it is attracting much more public attention than it did formerly.

The fair given recently was well worth attending. Among the exhibits, the Canning Club's handiwork was shown to good advantage. Under the able management of their leader, Mrs. S. O. Williams, 100 per cent of the members followed the work thru to a successful finish, and eight of them received handsome cook books for having put up one hundred or more quarts. Every member who entered their names on the Garment Club Roll, completed the required amount of work.

Their work played an important part in making the fair a success. Much credit is due their leaders, Mrs. Nettie Marshall, Mrs. Lavona Lines, Mrs. Mary Lines, Mrs. Josie Follett and Della Marshall, for their untiring efforts to make the club 100 per cent perfect. Barring accidents, the Pig Club, under the able management of Mrs. E. C. Eyring, will equal the records of the other clubs, and all completed the work outlined. Some members of this club, and all completed the work outlined. Some members of this club are the proud owners of registered pigs.

Mrs. S. S. Marshall, who is in charge of the Poultry Club, deserves special mention, having induced all her club members to complete their work and place on exhibition as fine a collection of birds as one will find at state fairs.

The Dyeing Club, which, by the way, is 100 per cent alive, was under the efficient leadership of Mrs. W. A. Lines. Their exhibit at the fair was second to none. They had converted old secondhand clothing into what seemed to be bright, new, pretty garments.

Mrs. J. H. Mangum's record as leader of the Corn Club isn't dimmed by comparison with the other club leaders. She convinced her club members it is best to put through the good things we start. The corn on exhibition at the fair was much better than that raised by the general run of farmers.

The Garden Club's efforts were directed by Master Otto Mangum, who has had four years' successful training as a club member. They had on exhibition some of their products. To say their exhibit was of the best, would be putting it mildly.

Mrs. J. H. Mangum, by her untiring efforts, has succeeded thus far in retaining a full membership in the Cotton Club, and there is no reason to believe they will not finish with a 100 per cent membership.

The organization as a whole is doing a great deal of good for the community. They are fully organized and have held the six meetings required to secure a charter. They have social, financial and business committees, with social entertainments, etc. They have raised, during the club season, \$125.00, which has been spent for equipment, prizes for club members who excel, etc. They have a cream testing team, a canning club demonstration team and dyeing, all of which went into camp at the State Fair and demonstrated their particular line of work to the executive board.

Mrs. R. M. Kelly, Mrs. Eva Lines, Zola Buffington and Mary Lines, too much credit cannot be given, for the splendid record made by the club. All members having finished the work they set out to do.

The club leaders have had the hearty support of the community, which fully appreciates their efforts.

All that is needed in any community to enthrone them along these lines, will be to get them to view the work accomplished by this club as exhibited on Achievement Day.

A VISITOR.

How To Be Healthy

If you would enjoy good health keep your bowels regular and your stomach and liver in good working order. This is easily done by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets strengthen the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and mild and gentle in effect. They only cost a quarter.

BUSINESS MEN ORGANIZE CLUB

As Result of Mass Meeting
Held in Court House
Saturday Night

MOTLEY IS CHOSEN CHAIRMAN

Road to Bowie To Be Repaired
and Signs Placed at Deming
and Lordsburg

The mass meeting of business men of the town at the court house, Saturday evening, was productive of good results, inasmuch as an organization was formed to be known as the Safford Commercial Club.

The meeting was called to order by John F. Weber, who stated briefly that the business men were called together to discuss plans for diverting part of the tourist travel from the East, to come through the Gila valley to Globe, Roosevelt Dam, Phoenix and the coast. To accomplish this, something had to be done to put the road from Safford to Bowie in good condition for travel. That signs should be placed at Deming and Lordsburg, N. M., directing travel this way, and that this could be done successfully by organized effort on the part of those who would profit most from travelers from the East.

A temporary organization was formed with H. C. Motley as chairman and E. R. Carpenter as secretary.

The proposition to repair the Bowie road and place signs at Deming and Lordsburg was fully discussed by H. C. Motley, W. W. Pace, John Birdwell, Jr., Willard Pace, H. E. Cooper, Fred Sowell, Fred Waughal, R. A. Smith, Rev. Hardie Connor, Ned Williams, Harry McCarroll and Supervisor J. T. Owens, who stated that the county would meet the expense of repairing the Bowie road on a 50-50 basis.

As a result of the discussion, a permanent organization was formed and named the Safford Commercial Club. Mr. Motley was chosen permanent chairman and E. R. Carpenter permanent secretary-treasurer.

A finance committee, consisting of Messrs. Waughal, Sowell, O'Bryan, Connor and Ferrin, was chosen. This committee will interview the business men of the town and secure subscription to the road fund.

The proposition of advertising the Gila valley, made by a solicitor for the El Paso Herald, was turned over to a committee of two, Jack Price and John F. Weber.

The meeting adjourned subject to a call by the finance committee when ready to report.

The finance committee has been busy this week securing subscriptions to the road fund and has been successful in raising a good sum to match with the county in repairing the road from Safford to Bowie, and work will be started at once on this project.

THATCHER WEDDING

Miss Henrietta Harnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Harnes, and Donald Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Reed, were married Friday evening, November 26, 1920. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents in Thatcher, and was performed by Bishop Ernest Shumway.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed left Saturday night on the Apache to spend their honeymoon in Tucson.

CHECK WRITER SENTENCED

In the Superior Court, Saturday, Judge A. G. McAlister presiding, George Pollard pleaded guilty of the charge of writing checks on a bank where he had no money on deposit, and was sentenced to not less than one year or more than 18 months in the State penitentiary.

FOUND—On Solomonville road,

a child's coat. Orson Foote.

Mrs. Sarah Elmer, mother of Mrs. W. C. Faulkner, returned home last night from a three months' visit with relatives in Beaver, Utah.

FOR SALE—O. I. C. boar, three months old. Can furnish pedigree. Price, \$30.00. George Frank, Thatcher.

SAFFORD THEATRE

Marshall & Merrill, Props.

PROGRAM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5
Douglas Fairbanks, in
"The Mollycoddle"
Also Prizma

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6
Roy Stewart, in
"The Westerners"
Also a Good Comedy

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7
Wallace Reed, in
"Excuse My Dust"
Al o Charlie Chaplin, in
"The Pawn Shop"

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8
"My Lady's Garter"
A Paramount-Artcraft Special
Als Two-Reel Comedy

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9
Dustin Farnum, in
"Big Happiness"
Also Martin Johnson's Travelogue

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10
Alice Brady, in
"The Red Head"
Also DeHaven Comedy

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11
Theda Bara, in
"Kathleen Mavourneen"
Also Mutt and Jeff